

House Resolution 5

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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND RULES
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1 4 (SUCCESSOR TO HSB 28)
1 5 A Resolution relating to permanent rules of the House
1 6 for the ~~eighty-first~~ eighty-second general assembly.
1 7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
1 8 That the permanent rules of the House for the
1 9 ~~eighty-first~~ eighty-second general assembly be as
1 10 follows:
1 11 DIVISION I == GENERAL RULES
1 12 Rule 1
1 13 Call to Order and Order of Business
1 14 The speaker shall take the chair at the hour to
1 15 which the house has adjourned, and shall immediately
1 16 call the members to order, correct the journal of the
1 17 previous day's proceedings, and proceed to other
1 18 business, including, but not limited to, introduction
1 19 of bills, reports, messages, communications, business
1 20 pending at adjournment, resolutions and bills on their
1 21 passage.
1 22 Rule 2
1 23 Quorum Call and Time of Convening
1 24 The house shall convene each Monday at 1:00 p.m.
1 25 and at ~~8:45~~ 9:00 a.m. on all other legislative days,
1 26 unless otherwise ordered. The time of convening shall
1 27 be recorded in the journal. The house shall not
1 28 convene on Sunday during a regular or special session.
1 29 The speaker or a member may request a roll call to
1 30 determine if a quorum is present.
2 1 Rule 3
2 2 Absences from the House
2 3 No member shall be absent without leave while the
2 4 house is in session unless the member is sick or
2 5 unable to attend.
2 6 Rule 4
2 7 Preservation of Order
2 8 The speaker shall preserve order and decorum and
2 9 speak to points of order in preference to other
2 10 members. Subject to an appeal to the house by any
2 11 member, the speaker shall decide questions of order
2 12 which shall not be debated.
2 13 The speaker may have the chamber of the house
2 14 cleared in case of any disturbance or disorderly
2 15 conduct.
2 16 Only past legislators, state officials, persons
2 17 whose presence is deemed by the speaker to be of
2 18 special significance to the house, and school classes
2 19 accompanied by teachers and seated in the galleries
2 20 shall be introduced in the house.
2 21 The public may take photographs from the galleries
2 22 at any time. However, the use of flash bulbs or any
2 23 other artificial lighting is prohibited. The press
2 24 may photograph from the press section, but may not use
2 25 artificial lighting except for live television crews
2 26 who receive permission in advance from the chief clerk
2 27 of the house or the sergeant-at-arms. Photographic
2 28 instruments shall not be used on the house floor at
2 29 any time when the members are voting on a question put
2 30 before the house. Photographic instruments may be
3 1 used on the house floor at other times with the
3 2 consent of the subject or subjects of the photography.
3 3 Rule 4A
3 4 Use of Telephonic or Electronic Devices
3 5 in Chamber Restricted
3 6 1. In order to prevent the disruption of house
3 7 deliberations, a person shall not do any of the
3 8 following in the chamber while the house is in
3 9 session:
3 10 a. Allow any audible signal to be continued to be
3 11 transmitted to or from a telephonic or electronic

3 12 device under the person's control.
3 13 b. Disrupt house deliberations by using a
3 14 telephonic or electronic device to audibly transmit or
3 15 receive communications.
3 16 2. A member shall not use a telephonic or
3 17 electronic device to audibly transmit or receive
3 18 communications while recognized by the presiding
3 19 officer to speak in debate.
3 20 3. The speaker or other presiding officer may have
3 21 the chamber cleared of any person acting in violation
3 22 of this rule.

3 23 Rule 5

3 24 Rules of Parliamentary Practice

3 25 The rules of parliamentary practice in Mason's
3 26 Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the house
3 27 in all cases where they are not inconsistent with the
3 28 standing rules of the house or the joint rules of the
3 29 senate and house.

3 30 Rule 5A

4 1 House Budget

4 2 The speaker of the house shall annually prepare a
4 3 proposed budget for the house of representatives for
4 4 the payment of expenses, salaries, per diems, and
4 5 other items. The proposed budget shall be submitted
4 6 on the fourteenth day of each legislative session to
4 7 the house committee in charge of administration, which
4 8 shall approve a proposed budget in house resolution
4 9 form within thirty days of receiving the proposed
4 10 budget from the speaker. The house shall adopt a
4 11 budget within thirty days of the introduction of the
4 12 house resolution.

4 13 Rule 6

4 14 The Speaker Pro Tempore

4 15 The house shall, at its pleasure, elect a speaker
4 16 pro tempore. When the speaker shall for any cause be
4 17 absent, the speaker pro tempore shall preside, except
4 18 when the chair is filled by appointment by either the
4 19 speaker or the speaker pro tempore. If a vacancy
4 20 occurs in the office of speaker, the speaker pro
4 21 tempore shall assume the duties and responsibilities
4 22 of the speaker until such time as the house shall
4 23 elect a new speaker. The speaker or the speaker pro
4 24 tempore shall have the right to name any member to
4 25 perform the duties of speaker, but such substitution
4 26 shall not extend beyond the adjournment. The acts of
4 27 the speaker pro tempore shall have the same validity
4 28 as those of the speaker. In the absence of both the
4 29 speaker and the speaker pro tempore, the house shall
4 30 name a speaker who shall preside over it and perform
5 1 all the duties of the speaker with the exception of
5 2 signing bills, until such time as the speaker or
5 3 speaker pro tempore shall be present, and the person's
5 4 acts shall have the same force and validity as those
5 5 of the regularly elected speaker.

5 6 Rule 7

5 7 Amendment and Suspension of Rules

5 8 A motion to change or rescind a standing rule or
5 9 order of the house requires one day's notice. A
5 10 motion to suspend a rule, or to table or take from the
5 11 table a matter, requires an affirmative vote of a
5 12 constitutional majority. Postponing or changing the
5 13 order of business requires an affirmative vote of a
5 14 constitutional majority.

5 15 Rule 8

5 16 Violation of House Rules

5 17 The speaker shall, or any member may, call to order
5 18 a member who transgresses the rules of the house.
5 19 With leave of the house, the member called to order
5 20 may be permitted to explain. If the case requires it,
5 21 the member shall be subject to censure of the house.

5 22 Rule 9

5 23 Referral of Rule Violations

5 24 The speaker shall, upon complaint of a member, or
5 25 upon the speaker's own motion, refer any alleged
5 26 violation of house or joint rules by house members,
5 27 employees or staff to the house ethics committee upon
5 28 an initial finding that an investigation is warranted.

5 29 The ethics committee shall investigate such
5 30 allegations and report them back to the house with a
6 1 recommendation.

6 2 Rule 10

6 3 Recognition and Decorum in Debate
6 4 A member who wishes to speak in debate or deliver
6 5 any matter to the house shall be appropriately
6 6 attired, with male members wearing coat or tie, and,
6 7 after recognition by the chair, shall respectfully
6 8 address the presiding officer by saying "Mr. or Madam
6 9 Speaker", shall confine all remarks to the question
6 10 under debate, and shall avoid personalities.
6 11 Rule 11
6 12 Limit on Debate
6 13 No member shall speak more than once on the same
6 14 question, without leave of the speaker, nor more than
6 15 twice until every member choosing to speak has spoken,
6 16 except as provided in Rule 81. A member shall be
6 17 limited to ten minutes debate on a bill being
6 18 considered prior to its last reading, but may be
6 19 granted an extension of time by consent of the house.
6 20 Rule 12
6 21 Decorum During Debate
6 22 No member shall leave the house while the speaker
6 23 is putting a question. No one shall pass between the
6 24 speaker and a member who is speaking or two members
6 25 who have been recognized by the speaker.
6 26 Rule 13
6 27 Stating the Question
6 28 When a motion is made, it shall be stated by the
6 29 speaker. A motion made in writing shall be passed to
6 30 the desk before it is debated.
7 1 Rule 14
7 2 Putting the Question
7 3 Questions shall be distinctly put in this form:
7 4 "All those in favor of (the question) shall say
7 5 'aye';" and after the affirmative voice is expressed,
7 6 "All those opposed to (the question) shall say 'no'."
7 7 If the speaker is in doubt or a member of the house
7 8 requests, a nonrecord roll call vote shall be taken.
7 9 DIVISION II == EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE
7 10 Rule 15
7 11 Chief Clerk of the House
7 12 The chief clerk of the house shall serve as
7 13 parliamentarian and chief administrative officer of
7 14 the house under the direction of the speaker of the
7 15 house. The chief clerk shall supervise the chief
7 16 clerk's office; be responsible for the custody and
7 17 safekeeping of all bills, resolutions, and amendments
7 18 filed, except when they are in the custody of a
7 19 committee; have charge of the daily journal; have
7 20 control of all rooms assigned for the use of the
7 21 house; attest to the accuracy and correctness of text
7 22 and action on bills and resolutions; process the
7 23 handling of amendments when filed and during the floor
7 24 consideration of bills; insert adopted amendments into
7 25 bills before transmittal to the senate and prior to
7 26 final enrollment; supervise legislative printing and
7 27 the distribution of printed material; and perform all
7 28 other duties pertaining to the office of the chief
7 29 clerk.
7 30 Rule 16
8 1 Reserved
8 2 Rule 17
8 3 Sergeant=At=Arms
8 4 The sergeant=at=arms shall execute all orders of
8 5 the house and the presiding officer; perform all
8 6 assigned duties related to the policing and good order
8 7 of the house; supervise the entrance and exit of all
8 8 persons to and from the chamber; promptly execute all
8 9 messages, etc.; provide that the chamber is properly
8 10 ventilated and open for the use of the members; and
8 11 perform all other services pertaining to the office of
8 12 sergeant=at=arms.
8 13 Rule 18
8 14 Secretaries
8 15 All secretaries of the house shall be under the
8 16 general direction of the speaker and the chief clerk.
8 17 Secretaries shall be on duty at the house from 8:30
8 18 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except when excused by the member to
8 19 whom the secretary is assigned. Secretaries shall
8 20 perform such additional duties as may be assigned to
8 21 them by the chief clerk.
8 22 Rule 19
8 23 Extra Compensation of Employees

8 24 No employee shall receive any extra compensation,
 8 25 except as provided by the house, or tips for services
 8 26 performed while on duty. Any violation of this rule
 8 27 shall be grounds for removal.
 8 28 DIVISION III == VISITORS AND LOBBYISTS
 8 29 Rule 20
 8 30 Admission to the House; Lobbying
 9 1 The chamber of the house shall include the
 9 2 vestibule, restrooms, cloak room, lounge, visitors'
 9 3 galleries, and floor of the house.
 9 4 The floor of the house shall consist of that area
 9 5 between the press box, speaker's station, and the
 9 6 south wall behind the last row of desks occupied by
 9 7 representatives, excluding the visitors' galleries.
 9 8 During a legislative day while the house is in
 9 9 session, and one-half hour before the house convenes
 9 10 and one-half hour after the house recesses or
 9 11 adjourns, no person shall be admitted to the floor of
 9 12 the house except:
 9 13 1. Members of the general assembly and authorized
 9 14 house employees in the performance of their duties.
 9 15 2. Former members of the general assembly who are
 9 16 not registered lobbyists.
 9 17 3. A general assembly member's family.
 9 18 4. Representatives of the press, radio, and
 9 19 television who shall go directly to and from the press
 9 20 box.
 9 21 5. Legislative interns approved by the chief clerk
 9 22 who shall go directly to and from the seat of their
 9 23 assigned representative or to be seated in the
 9 24 perimeter seating area.
 9 25 6. Chair, co-chair, and the executive secretary of
 9 26 a political party having members serving in the
 9 27 general assembly.
 9 28 7. Personnel of the legislative services agency
 9 29 and citizens' aide/ombudsman's office.
 9 30 8. The governor's executive assistants and
 10 1 administrative assistants, members of the state
 10 2 executive council, the lieutenant governor, the
 10 3 attorney general, and the administrative rules
 10 4 coordinator, all of whom shall be confined to the
 10 5 perimeter area.
 10 6 The current status of former members of the general
 10 7 assembly shall govern their access to the floor under
 10 8 these rules.
 10 9 No other persons shall be allowed on the house
 10 10 floor without permission of the presiding officer of
 10 11 the house.
 10 12 No person admitted to the floor of the house,
 10 13 except members of the general assembly, shall, while
 10 14 the house is in session, lobby or attempt to exercise
 10 15 any influence with any member for or against any
 10 16 matter then pending or that may thereafter be
 10 17 considered by the house.
 10 18 Notwithstanding the provisions of this rule
 10 19 regarding admission to the floor of the house, a
 10 20 registered lobbyist shall not be admitted to the floor
 10 21 of the house on any day when the house is in session
 10 22 or committees are scheduled to meet from one-half hour
 10 23 before the house convenes or ~~8:45~~ 9:00 a.m., whichever
 10 24 is earlier, until one-half hour after the house
 10 25 adjourns or until 4:30 p.m., whichever is later. A
 10 26 registered lobbyist or other person may be admitted to
 10 27 the house when the house is not in session to gain
 10 28 access to a committee room.
 10 29 Each lobbyist shall be given a copy of this rule
 10 30 when the lobbyist registers.
 11 1 Each member, employee of the house, and registered
 11 2 lobbyist shall report violations of this rule
 11 3 immediately to the sergeant-at-arms.
 11 4 Any person for cause may be summarily dismissed
 11 5 from the chamber of the house, by action of the house,
 11 6 and shall forfeit that person's right to admission
 11 7 thereafter.
 11 8 Rule 20A
 11 9 Legislative Interns
 11 10 Only one legislative intern per member of the house
 11 11 is allowed on the floor of the house at any one time.
 11 12 Rule 21
 11 13 Distribution of Literature
 11 14 No person except a member or employee of the house

11 15 of representatives shall generally distribute or cause
11 16 to be distributed any pamphlets, material, or other
11 17 printed literature to the members' desks in the house.
11 18 An employee of the house shall generally distribute or
11 19 cause to be distributed such literature only on behalf
11 20 of the employee's office or staff.

11 21 All copies of pamphlets, material, or printed
11 22 literature distributed by a member or employee of the
11 23 house of representatives shall bear the name of the
11 24 member or employee's office or staff.

11 25 Other distributions of pamphlets, material, or
11 26 other printed literature shall bear their source of
11 27 origin and be distributed through the legislative post
11 28 office by completing a form containing a member's or
11 29 the chief clerk's authorization, with the
11 30 authorization form attached to one copy of the
12 1 distribution. The copy with the attached
12 2 authorization form shall be retained for a reasonable
12 3 time period by the legislative post office.

12 4 Rule 22
12 5 Distribution of Materials
12 6 Printed by the State

12 7 A member of the house shall not distribute maps,
12 8 books, and pamphlets such as, but not limited to, How
12 9 a Bill Becomes Law, which have been printed by the
12 10 state of Iowa and upon which the name of the member of
12 11 the house has been affixed unless the member has
12 12 purchased the materials or unless the member has
12 13 affixed the words "Paid for by the citizens of Iowa
12 14 and distributed by representative (member's name)."

12 15 DIVISION IV == FORMS AND PROCEDURES
12 16 FOR BILLS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

12 17 Rule 23
12 18 Documents Signed by the Speaker

12 19 All acts and joint resolutions shall be signed by
12 20 the speaker, and all writs, warrants, and subpoenas
12 21 issued by order of the house, shall be signed by the
12 22 speaker and attested by the chief clerk. The speaker
12 23 shall cause certificates of recognition or condolence
12 24 to be issued by the house which shall be signed by the
12 25 speaker and the chief clerk.

12 26 Rule 24
12 27 Presentation of Petitions

12 28 All petitions, memorials and other papers addressed
12 29 to the house shall be signed by the member and filed
12 30 with the chief clerk or the chief clerk's staff.

13 1 Rule 25
13 2 Consideration of Resolutions

13 3 Action on a resolution, except a memorial
13 4 resolution, or a proposition requesting information
13 5 from a state official shall not be taken until one day
13 6 after the resolution has been placed on the members'
13 7 desks. After the resolution is adopted, the chief
13 8 clerk shall transmit certified copies and have the
13 9 resolution printed in the bound journal. A resolution
13 10 may be printed in the daily journal upon the approval
13 11 of the speaker after consultation with the minority
13 12 leader.

13 13 Rule 26
13 14 Unanimous Consent Calendar

13 15 The speaker may, upon the request of three members,
13 16 place on a unanimous consent calendar any house
13 17 resolution or concurrent resolution which does not
13 18 contain an appropriation and which has been laid over
13 19 under Rule 25.

13 20 If such resolution is placed on the unanimous
13 21 consent calendar, it may be removed only upon a
13 22 written request submitted to the speaker by a member
13 23 of the house.

13 24 If not removed after five legislative days, the
13 25 chief clerk shall call up the resolution and without
13 26 debate the speaker shall pronounce that it has passed
13 27 by unanimous consent.

13 28 If the resolution is removed from the unanimous
13 29 consent calendar, the speaker may again lay the
13 30 resolution over under Rule 25, place it on a different
14 1 calendar, or refer the resolution to any of the
14 2 standing committees of the house.

14 3 Rule 27
14 4 Forms of Bills and Joint Resolutions

14 5 Every house bill shall be introduced by one or more

14 6 members or by any standing or specially authorized
14 7 committee of the house, the administrative rules
14 8 review committee or interim study committee. All
14 9 bills and joint resolutions introduced shall be
14 10 prepared by the legislative services agency with
14 11 title, enacting clause, text and explanation as
14 12 directed by the chief clerk of the house. One copy of
14 13 each bill shall be presented in a bill cover with the
14 14 number of copies of the bill and the title as directed
14 15 by the chief clerk.

14 16 Rule 28

14 17 Joint and Nullification Resolutions

14 18 Joint resolutions shall be framed and treated as
14 19 bills.

14 20 A "nullification resolution" is a joint resolution
14 21 which nullifies all of an administrative rule, or a
14 22 severable item of an administrative rule adopted
14 23 pursuant to chapter 17A of the Code. A nullification
14 24 resolution shall not amend an administrative rule by
14 25 adding language or by inserting new language in lieu
14 26 of existing language.

14 27 A nullification resolution may be introduced by an
14 28 individual, a standing committee or the administrative
14 29 rules review committee, and may be referred to a
14 30 standing committee. A nullification resolution is
15 1 debatable, but cannot be amended on the floor of the
15 2 house.

15 3 Rule 29

15 4 Time of Introduction of Bills

15 5 No bill or joint resolution under individual
15 6 sponsorship, other than a nullification resolution,
15 7 shall be read for the first time after 4:30 p.m. on
15 8 Friday of the 6th week of the first regular session of
15 9 the general assembly unless a ~~written formal~~ request
15 10 for drafting the bill has been filed with the
15 11 legislative services agency before that time.

15 12 After adjournment of the first regular session,
15 13 bills may be prefiled at any time before the convening
15 14 of the second regular session. No bill or joint
15 15 resolution under individual sponsorship, other than a
15 16 nullification resolution, shall be read for the first
15 17 time after 4:30 p.m. on Friday of the second week of
15 18 the second regular session of the general assembly
15 19 unless a ~~written formal~~ request for drafting the bill
15 20 has been filed with the legislative services agency
15 21 before that time.

15 22 However, bills or joint resolutions sponsored by
15 23 standing committees or the administrative rules review
15 24 committee, co-sponsored by the majority and minority
15 25 floor leaders, or companion bills sponsored by the
15 26 house majority leader and the senate majority leader
15 27 may be drafted and introduced at any time permissible
15 28 under Joint Rule 20. House, concurrent, and
15 29 nullification resolutions may be introduced at any
15 30 time.

16 1 Rule 30

16 2 Introduction and Reading of Bills

16 3 All bills and resolutions to be introduced in the
16 4 house shall be ~~typed prepared~~ in proper form and filed
16 5 with the chief clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on the
16 6 legislative day preceding its introduction.

16 7 Every bill shall receive two readings but no bill
16 8 shall receive its first and last readings on the same
16 9 day.

16 10 A "reading of a bill" as required by these rules
16 11 shall consist of a reading of the title and enacting
16 12 clause unless otherwise demanded by a house member.

16 13 Rule 31

16 14 First Reading, Commitment, and Amendment

16 15 31.1. A bill is introduced into the house by an
16 16 initial or "first reading of the bill".

16 17 31.2. When the house is in session the first
16 18 reading shall consist of a "reading" as provided in
16 19 Rule 30.

16 20 31.3. Upon a first reading of the bill, the
16 21 speaker shall state that it is ready for commitment or
16 22 amendment; and the speaker shall commit it to the
16 23 standing or select committee, or to a committee of the
16 24 whole house. If to a committee of the whole house,
16 25 the house shall determine on what day.

16 26 31.4. On a day when the house is not in session,

16 27 the speaker shall cause a statement, which shall
16 28 consist of the title, enacting clause, bill number and
16 29 committee to which the bill is referred to be
16 30 published in the house journal. This publication
17 1 shall constitute a first reading and commitment and
17 2 shall contain the notation "read and committed under
17 3 Rule 31.4".

17 4 31.5. All amendments offered to bills on file or
17 5 on the regular calendar shall be accompanied by such
17 6 copies as the chief clerk shall direct.

17 7 31.6. Such amendments shall give the number of the
17 8 bill sought to amend and the chief clerk shall
17 9 designate each such amendment thus: Amendment to
17 10 House File _____, or Senate File _____, by
17 11 _____.

17 12 31.7. A bill reported out by committee shall go to
17 13 the speaker who shall direct that the bill be placed
17 14 on the regular calendar unless it covers subject
17 15 matter more properly within the jurisdiction of some
17 16 other standing committee, in which case the speaker
17 17 shall refer the bill to the proper standing committee.
17 18 In order to expedite important business and set a
17 19 definite time for the bill's consideration, the
17 20 speaker may direct the bill to be placed on the
17 21 special order calendar.

17 22 31.8. No amendment to the rules of the house, to
17 23 any resolution or bill, except technical amendments
17 24 and amendments to bills substituted for by senate
17 25 files containing substantially identical title,
17 26 language, subject matter, purpose and intrasectional
17 27 arrangement, shall be considered by the membership of
17 28 the house without a copy of the amendment having been
17 29 filed with the chief clerk by 4:00 p.m. or within one=
17 30 half hour of adjournment, whichever is later, on the
18 1 day preceding floor debate on the amendment. If the
18 2 house adjourns prior to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, the final
18 3 deadline is two hours after adjournment. However,
18 4 committee amendments filed pursuant to the submission
18 5 of the committee report may be accepted after this
18 6 deadline. This provision shall not apply to any
18 7 proposal debated on the floor of the house after the
18 8 fourteenth week of the first session and the twelfth
18 9 week of the second session. No amendment or amendment
18 10 to an amendment to a bill, rule of the house, or
18 11 resolution shall be considered by the membership of
18 12 the house without a copy of the amendment being on the
18 13 desks of the entire membership of the house prior to
18 14 consideration. However, after the fourteenth week of
18 15 the first session and the twelfth week of the second
18 16 session, the membership of the house may consider an
18 17 amendment or an amendment to an amendment to a bill,
18 18 rule of the house, or resolution without a copy of the
18 19 amendment being on the desks of the entire membership
18 20 of the house prior to consideration if a copy of the
18 21 amendment is made available to the entire membership
18 22 of the house electronically.

18 23 Rule 32

18 24 Commitment of Appropriation and Revenue Bills

18 25 All bills to appropriate money shall be referred to
18 26 the appropriations committee, and all bills pertaining
18 27 to the levy, assessment, or collection of taxes shall
18 28 be referred to the committee on ways and means.

18 29 Rule 33

18 30 Regular Calendar

19 1 Bills, nullification resolutions, and joint
19 2 resolutions reported out for passage, or amendment and
19 3 passage, or without recommendation, by a committee,
19 4 shall be arranged on a regular calendar by the chief
19 5 clerk each day ~~at 4:30 p.m.~~ in the order of the file
19 6 number of the bills and following the preceding
19 7 legislative day's regular calendar. Priority shall be
19 8 given to house over senate file numbers and to joint
19 9 resolutions over bills in the arrangement of the
19 10 regular calendar.

19 11 Rule 34

19 12 Debate and Special Order Calendars

19 13 The majority floor leadership shall cause to be
19 14 prepared and distributed to the members at the opening
19 15 of each session day when floor action is scheduled, a
19 16 daily debate calendar consisting of bills,
19 17 nullification resolutions, and joint resolutions from

19 18 the regular calendar setting forth the number and
19 19 title of bills, nullification resolutions, and joint
19 20 resolutions for the next session day that floor action
19 21 is scheduled.

19 22 The majority floor leadership shall cause to be
19 23 prepared and distributed to the members at the opening
19 24 of each session day when floor action is scheduled, a
19 25 special order calendar setting forth the number and
19 26 title of bills, nullification resolutions, and joint
19 27 resolutions and the date upon which debate is
19 28 scheduled to begin on each of them, which can be no
19 29 sooner than five session days from the first date of
19 30 publication on the regular calendar.

20 1 This rule does not apply to bills which have passed
20 2 both houses in different forms, reconsiderations, or
20 3 veto reconsiderations.

20 4 Rule 35

20 5 Noncontroversial Calendar

20 6 The majority floor leadership may cause to be
20 7 prepared a noncontroversial calendar consisting of
20 8 bills and joint resolutions from the regular calendar.
20 9 The noncontroversial calendar shall appear under
20 10 separate heading on the regular calendar.

20 11 Notwithstanding Rule 34, a bill or joint resolution
20 12 on the noncontroversial calendar may be called up for
20 13 debate at any time by the majority leader beginning
20 14 the third legislative day after it appears on the
20 15 noncontroversial calendar. A bill or joint resolution
20 16 shall be stricken from the noncontroversial calendar
20 17 if a written objection to the bill or joint resolution
20 18 is filed with the chief clerk prior to the time the
20 19 bill or joint resolution is called up by the majority
20 20 leader.

20 21 Debate on a bill or joint resolution from the
20 22 noncontroversial calendar shall be limited to ten
20 23 minutes. If debate exceeds ten minutes, the bill or
20 24 joint resolution shall be stricken from the
20 25 noncontroversial calendar.

20 26 Rule 36

20 27 Consideration of Committee Amendments

20 28 After a bill has been referred and reported back,
20 29 it shall be considered on its first reading after the
20 30 amendments of the committee have been read.

21 1 Rule 37

21 2 Amendments to Special Order Bills

21 3 All amendments to bills on the special order
21 4 calendar shall be filed at least three session days
21 5 prior to the date set for debate. Amendments to an
21 6 amendment shall be filed at least two session days
21 7 prior to the date set for debate. However, corrective
21 8 amendments and amendments sponsored by either the
21 9 majority floor leader or the minority floor leader may
21 10 be filed at any time. Rule 31.8 shall not apply to
21 11 these amendments.

21 12 A corrective amendment is an amendment which does
21 13 not substantively change the amendment or the bill.

21 14 Rule 38

21 15 Irrelevant Amendments

21 16 No motion or proposition on a subject different
21 17 from that under consideration shall be admitted under
21 18 color of an amendment.

21 19 Rule 39

21 20 Consideration of Bills

21 21 Bills, including committee bills, and nullification
21 22 resolutions, reported out for passage, for indefinite
21 23 postponement, for amendment and passage, or without
21 24 recommendation by the committee, ~~shall not be first~~
21 25 ~~eligible to be acted upon until after beginning the~~
21 26 ~~second third legislative day following the day the~~
21 27 ~~report was printed in the journal they appear on the~~
21 28 ~~regular calendar.~~

21 29 The reports of the committees shall not be read
21 30 while the house is in session except as herein
22 1 provided. The reports shall be printed in the journal
22 2 immediately after they are filed with the chief clerk.
22 3 Reports recommending bills for passage, for amendment
22 4 and passage, or without recommendation shall stand
22 5 approved unless written objections are filed during
22 6 the first legislative day following their printing in
22 7 the journal. If objections are filed, they shall be
22 8 disposed of as soon as possible. Reports recommending

22 9 indefinite postponement shall be governed by Rule 44.

22 10 Upon an affirmative vote of at least a
22 11 constitutional majority of the members, a report may
22 12 be read before it is printed in the journal and while
22 13 the house is in session, and acted upon at once.

22 14 Rule 40

22 15 Consideration of Bills Upon Last Reading

22 16 No amendment, unless by way of correcting an error
22 17 or omission, shall be received to any bill on its last
22 18 reading, and no debate shall be allowed on it.

22 19 Rule 41

22 20 Printing of Bills and Joint Resolutions

22 21 Bills and joint resolutions shall be printed in
22 22 form as provided by law and by rule. Each house may
22 23 direct the printing of an additional number of its own
22 24 bills.

22 25 Legalizing bills of a local or private nature shall
22 26 be printed in bill form and placed in the files of the
22 27 members, the same as other bills, in the order of
22 28 their introduction. The cost of printing shall be
22 29 deposited with the treasurer of state in advance at a
22 30 rate to be fixed, and the newspaper publication of the
23 1 bill shall be without cost to the state. No
23 2 legalizing act may be introduced until all provisions
23 3 of law have been complied with.

23 4 Rule 42

23 5 Certification and Engrossment of Bills

23 6 The chief clerk shall certify the passage of each
23 7 bill and note the date of its passage.

23 8 In engrossing a bill, the chief clerk shall correct
23 9 all obvious typographical, spelling, or other clerical
23 10 errors and change section subunit numbers and letters
23 11 and internal references as required to conform the
23 12 original bill to any amendments which have been
23 13 adopted. The chief clerk shall report all such
23 14 corrections or changes in the journal. The engrossed
23 15 bill shall be placed in the bill file with the
23 16 original bill and amendments.

23 17 Rule 43

23 18 Rereferral

23 19 A bill may be rereferred at any time before its
23 20 passage and after the report of its referral to
23 21 committee.

23 22 Rule 44

23 23 Effect of Indefinite Postponement

23 24 When a question is indefinitely postponed, it shall
23 25 not be acted upon again during that session. Any bill
23 26 which receives a committee recommendation of
23 27 indefinite postponement shall be disposed of within
23 28 three legislative days after the printed journal
23 29 containing the report has been placed upon the desks
23 30 of the members of the house, or the committee
24 1 recommendation will be considered adopted.

24 2 Rule 45

24 3 Status of Bills Following

24 4 First Regular Session

24 5 Except for those bills which have been adopted by
24 6 both houses in different forms, all bills which have
24 7 not been withdrawn, defeated or indefinitely
24 8 postponed, shall be rereferred to committee upon
24 9 adjournment of the first regular session. Within
24 10 seven days after the first committee meeting following
24 11 convening of the second regular session, the committee
24 12 chair shall submit the bill to the full committee for
24 13 action or the chair shall reassign the bill to a
24 14 subcommittee.

24 15 DIVISION V == COMMITTEE PROCEDURES

24 16 Rule 46

24 17 Appointment of Committees

24 18 All committees shall be appointed by the speaker,
24 19 unless otherwise especially directed by the house.

24 20 Rule 47

24 21 Order on Question of Commitment

24 22 When a resolution is offered or a motion made to
24 23 refer any subject, and different committees are
24 24 proposed, the question shall be taken in the following
24 25 order: The committee of the whole house; a standing
24 26 committee; a select committee.

24 27 Rule 48

24 28 Study Bills

24 29 A study bill is any matter which a member of the

24 30 house wishes to have considered by a standing
25 1 committee, other than appropriations, and which has
25 2 not been included in a previously introduced bill.
25 3 Upon taking possession of a study bill, the committee
25 4 chair shall notify the speaker and then submit fifteen
25 5 copies of the bill to the legal counsel's office for
25 6 numbering.

25 7 A study bill shall bear the name of the member who
25 8 wishes to have the bill considered. A study bill
25 9 submitted by a state agency or board for consideration
25 10 shall bear the name of the state agency or board. A
25 11 committee chair may submit a study bill in the name of
25 12 that committee.

25 13 Final committee action on a study bill shall not be
25 14 taken until one day following the notation of the
25 15 study bill assignment in the house journal.

25 16 A study bill not prepared by the legislative
25 17 services agency may be submitted to a standing
25 18 committee, but shall not be considered by the full
25 19 committee unless reviewed and ~~typed~~ prepared in proper
25 20 form by the legislative services agency.

25 21 Rule 49

25 22 Committee Meetings

25 23 No committee, except a conference committee or the
25 24 administrative rules review committee, shall meet
25 25 while the house is in session without special leave.
25 26 Two committees with overlapping memberships shall not
25 27 meet at the same time without special leave.

25 28 Rule 50

25 29 Smoking Prohibited

25 30 Smoking shall not be permitted in the house or in
26 1 any area of the capitol building controlled by the
26 2 house or controlled jointly by the house and senate.

26 3 Rule 50A

26 4 Nondegradable Polystyrene Cups

26 5 The use of nondegradable polystyrene cups shall not
26 6 be permitted on the floor of the house, at the
26 7 speaker's station, or in the press boxes.

26 8 Rule 51

26 9 Assignments to Subcommittee

26 10 The chair of the committee shall report to the
26 11 house the bill number of each bill assigned to
26 12 subcommittee and the names of the subcommittee
26 13 members. The report shall be printed in the journal.

26 14 All bills, prior to consideration by the committee,
26 15 shall be referred by the chair to a subcommittee,
26 16 unless acted upon by a committee of the whole.

26 17 The chair may assign bills to subcommittees without
26 18 a meeting of the committee, but the membership of the
26 19 subcommittee so appointed shall be reported at the
26 20 next meeting of the committee.

26 21 Rule 52

26 22 Open Meetings

26 23 Standing committee meetings shall be open, and
26 24 voting by secret ballot is prohibited. The committee
26 25 on administration and rules may close its meetings to
26 26 evaluate the professional competency of an individual
26 27 whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge
26 28 is being considered when necessary to prevent needless
26 29 and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation
26 30 on the request of the affected individual.

27 1 Rule 53

27 2 Quorum and Vote Requirements

27 3 The committee roll shall be taken at the convening
27 4 of each meeting to determine the presence of a quorum.
27 5 A majority of the committee membership shall
27 6 constitute a quorum.

27 7 An affirmative vote of a majority of the committee
27 8 membership is required to report a bill out of
27 9 committee or to suspend a committee rule.

27 10 A motion to reconsider may be made only by a
27 11 committee member who voted on the prevailing side of
27 12 the question sought to be reconsidered. A motion to
27 13 reconsider may only be made provided the bill is still
27 14 in possession of the committee.

27 15 If a member, who is in the committee room when a
27 16 question to report a bill out of committee is put, has
27 17 not asked to be excused prior to commencing to take
27 18 the vote on the question, the member shall vote aye or
27 19 nay unless the committee has excused the member for
27 20 special reasons. However, a member may pass on the

27 21 first taking of the roll call on the question but
27 22 shall vote aye or nay when the member's name is called
27 23 for a second time.

27 24 Rule 54

27 25 Committee Attendance Record and Report 27 26 of Committee Form

27 27 1. A committee attendance record shall be filed
27 28 with the chief clerk no later than 10:00 a.m. or two
27 29 hours after the house convenes, whichever is later, of
27 30 the legislative day immediately following the day of
28 1 the committee meeting. The committee attendance
28 2 record is a public record and may be published in the
28 3 journal. The committee attendance record shall
28 4 include the following information:

- 28 5 a. The time the meeting convened.
- 28 6 b. The members present at the meeting.
- 28 7 c. The time the meeting adjourned.
- 28 8 d. A list of bills receiving final committee
28 9 disposition.

28 10 2. A report of committee form shall be filed with
28 11 the chief clerk no later than 10:00 a.m. or two hours
28 12 after the house convenes, whichever is later, of the
28 13 legislative day immediately following the day of the
28 14 committee meeting for each study bill, numbered bill
28 15 or resolution receiving final committee disposition.
28 16 The report of committee form is a public record and a
28 17 report of committee action shall be printed in the
28 18 journal. The report of committee form shall include
28 19 the following information:

- 28 20 a. The committee action taken.
- 28 21 b. The committee amendment number, if any.
- 28 22 c. The roll call vote of the committee on final
28 23 disposition.
- 28 24 d. The minority recommendation, if any.

28 25 3. Upon final adjournment of the first session and
28 26 final adjournment of the second session of the general
28 27 assembly, the chair of each committee shall have
28 28 placed the committee's book of record containing
28 29 minutes, roll calls, rules, etc., with the chief clerk
28 30 for access of any interested person.

29 1 Rule 55

29 2 Minority Recommendation

29 3 The minority of the members of a committee may
29 4 present its recommendations on the final disposition
29 5 of a bill to the house by attaching its recommendation
29 6 to the committee report and the same shall be printed
29 7 in the journal with the committee report.

29 8 Rule 56

29 9 Committee Amendment

29 10 Whenever a committee amendment is proposed which
29 11 would amend another committee amendment, the amendment
29 12 shall be drafted in the form of a substitute amendment
29 13 and shall be considered as such.

29 14 Rule 57

29 15 Committee Notice and Agenda

29 16 Each committee shall prepare and publish a notice
29 17 and agenda of each committee meeting at least one
29 18 legislative day prior to the meeting. The notice and
29 19 agenda may be placed on the desks of or transmitted
29 20 electronically to committee members.

29 21 The notice shall contain the committee name, the
29 22 date, time, and location of the meeting.

29 23 The agenda shall contain the matters to be
29 24 discussed, including a list of bills, joint
29 25 resolutions, nullification resolutions, and study
29 26 bills by number. The agenda should contain the names
29 27 of individuals who are scheduled to appear before the
29 28 committee and the organization which they represent.

29 29 A bill, joint resolution, nullification resolution,
29 30 or study bill shall not be reported out of committee
30 1 if the bill was not included in the published notice
30 2 and agenda unless this rule is suspended by a majority
30 3 of the total membership of the committee.

30 4 A committee chair may call a meeting without
30 5 providing the required notice and agenda upon leave of
30 6 the house if a notice is either electronically
30 7 transmitted to committee members and placed on the
30 8 bulletin board or placed on the desks of committee
30 9 members.

30 10 Rule 58

30 11 Clearing of Committee Room

30 12 The chair of a committee may clear the committee
30 13 room in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct.
30 14 Rule 58A
30 15 Use of Telephonic or Electronic Devices
30 16 in Committee Rooms Restricted
30 17 1. In order to prevent the disruption of committee
30 18 deliberations, a person shall not do any of the
30 19 following in any committee room while a standing
30 20 committee is in session:
30 21 a. Allow any audible signal to be continued to be
30 22 transmitted to or from a telephonic or electronic
30 23 device under the person's control.
30 24 b. Use a telephonic or electronic device to
30 25 audibly transmit or receive communications.
30 26 2. The chair or acting chair of a standing
30 27 committee may clear the committee room of any person
30 28 acting in violation of this rule.
30 29 Rule 59
30 30 Committee Amendments
31 1 All amendments to a bill or resolution adopted in
31 2 committee shall be incorporated in a single committee
31 3 amendment or incorporated in a new committee bill.
31 4 Rule 60
31 5 Withdrawal of Bills
31 6 or Nullification Resolutions
31 7 From Committee
31 8 A bill or nullification resolution which has been
31 9 in committee for eighteen legislative days following
31 10 notation of such referral in the journal may be
31 11 withdrawn from the committee and placed on the
31 12 calendar by an affirmative vote of not less than
31 13 fifty-one members of the house.
31 14 Rule 61
31 15 Committee Public Hearings
31 16 The chair of a committee may call a public hearing
31 17 for the purpose of receiving public comment on any
31 18 matter within the purview of the committee.
31 19 The chair shall call a public hearing upon the
31 20 written request of committee members according to
31 21 committee rules, but no more than one-third of the
31 22 committee members shall be required.
31 23 A public hearing shall not be called or requested
31 24 after final action on the bill has been taken by the
31 25 committee. However, a public hearing called or
31 26 requested before final action has been taken by the
31 27 committee may be held after final action on the bill
31 28 has been taken by the committee.

31 29 The chair shall designate a time and place for a
31 30 public hearing and provide public notice at least five
32 1 days prior to a public hearing.
32 2 A bill for which a public hearing has been called
32 3 can be voted to the calendar but cannot be debated
32 4 until after the public hearing has been held.
32 5 However, public hearings which have been requested
32 6 during or after the 9th week of the first session and
32 7 during or after the 7th week of the second session
32 8 must be held within four legislative days of the date
32 9 of the request.

32 10 Rule 62
32 11 Limitation on Filing of Claims
32 12 A claim or claim bill, the subject matter of which
32 13 has been considered or filed for consideration in the
32 14 house or any of its committees, in two or more prior
32 15 sessions of the general assembly, shall not be
32 16 considered by any committee or by the house unless it
32 17 has been specifically referred to this session by a
32 18 prior general assembly. The committee on
32 19 appropriations is authorized to set a definite date
32 20 after which it will not receive claims or claim bills
32 21 for consideration.

32 22 DIVISION VI == COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
32 23 Rule 63
32 24 Organization of Committee of the Whole
32 25 In forming the committee of the whole house, the
32 26 speaker shall appoint a member to preside in committee
32 27 and then leave the chair.

32 28 Rule 64
32 29 Rules in Committee of the Whole
32 30 The rules of the house shall be observed in
33 1 committee of the whole house, so far as they are
33 2 applicable.

33 3 Rule 65
33 4 Bills in Committee of the Whole
33 5 Bills committed to the committee of the whole house
33 6 shall first be read in their entirety by the chief
33 7 clerk or chair and then read again or debated by
33 8 section, leaving the preamble to be considered last.
33 9 After report, the bill shall again be subject to
33 10 debate and amendment before a vote is had on its last
33 11 reading and passage.

33 12 Rule 66
33 13 Amendments by Committee of the Whole
33 14 All amendments made to a report committed to a
33 15 committee of the whole house shall be noted and
33 16 reported as in the case of bills.

33 17 DIVISION VII == MOTIONS

33 18 Rule 67
33 19 Order and Precedence of Motions
33 20 The following order and precedence of motions shall
33 21 govern when a question is under debate:

- 33 22 11. Adjourn.
- 33 23 10. Recess.
- 33 24 9. Questions of privilege.
- 33 25 8. Lay on the table.
- 33 26 7. Previous question.
- 33 27 6. Postpone definitely or to a certain time.
- 33 28 5. Refer or commit.
- 33 29 4. Defer.
- 33 30 3. Amend an amendment.
- 34 1 2. Amend.
- 34 2 1. Postpone indefinitely.

34 3 These motions are listed in descending order of
34 4 precedence.

34 5 A motion to postpone definitely or to a certain time, to
34 6 refer or commit, or to postpone indefinitely a particular
34 7 question shall not be considered more than once on the same day.
34 8 Adoption of a motion to strike the enacting words is equivalent
34 9 to rejection of the question.

34 10 Rule 68
34 11 Order of Consideration of Amendments
34 12 Amendments shall be considered by earliest position
34 13 in the bill. Amendments to the same place in the bill
34 14 shall be considered by the lowest amendment number.
34 15 An amendment which inserts language after a line and
34 16 an amendment which inserts language before the
34 17 succeeding line shall be considered amendments to the
34 18 same place in the bill.

34 19 However, an amendment to strike the enacting clause
34 20 shall always be considered first. An amendment filed
34 21 by a committee shall have the next highest order of
34 22 priority, followed by an amendment to strike
34 23 everything after the enacting clause and insert new
34 24 language. An amendment to strike language or to
34 25 strike and insert new language, except an amendment to
34 26 strike everything after the enacting clause and insert
34 27 new language, shall not be considered before
34 28 amendments to perfect all or part of the same portion
34 29 of the bill.

34 30 Rule 69
35 1 Motions Not Debatable
35 2 The motions to lay on the table, to adjourn, to
35 3 adjourn to a time certain, for the previous question,
35 4 to defer, to rerefer, and appeals of a ruling of the
35 5 presiding officer shall be decided without debate.

35 6 Rule 70
35 7 Motion to Adjourn
35 8 A motion to adjourn shall always be in order,
35 9 except when a member is speaking or the house is
35 10 voting.

35 11 Rule 71
35 12 Withdrawal of Motions
35 13 After a motion is stated by the speaker, or read by
35 14 the chief clerk, it shall be deemed to be in
35 15 possession of the house, but may be withdrawn by leave
35 16 of the house.

35 17 Rule 72
35 18 Referral and Rereferral
35 19 Motions and reports may be referred and rereferred
35 20 at the pleasure of the house.

35 21 Rule 73
35 22 Reconsideration
35 23 1. A motion to reconsider may be made only by a

35 24 member who voted on the prevailing side of the
35 25 question sought to be reconsidered.
35 26 2. A motion to reconsider may be made not later
35 27 than adjournment on the day following the day of the
35 28 action sought to be reconsidered. Where the floor
35 29 manager voted on the prevailing side, the floor
35 30 manager has the prior right to make the motion, until
36 1 adjournment on the day of the action sought to be
36 2 reconsidered. A motion to reconsider a nullification
36 3 resolution shall be acted upon not later than
36 4 adjournment on the legislative day following the day
36 5 of the action sought to be reconsidered.
36 6 3. A motion to reconsider made following the
36 7 ninety-seventh calendar day of the first regular
36 8 session, or the eighty-seventh calendar day of the
36 9 second regular session, may be taken up when made. A
36 10 motion made at any other time may be taken up prior to
36 11 the third day succeeding the day of the action sought
36 12 to be reconsidered only if called up by the mover, and
36 13 after the second day succeeding the day of the action
36 14 sought to be reconsidered if called up by any member.
36 15 4. The making of a motion to reconsider takes
36 16 precedence over all other questions.
36 17 5. No motion to reconsider passage, adoption or
36 18 failure of any bill, nullification resolution or joint
36 19 resolution shall prevail unless it obtains a
36 20 constitutional majority. When passage, adoption or
36 21 failure is reconsidered, questions on amendments may
36 22 also be reconsidered and shall be disposed of
36 23 immediately.
36 24 6. A motion that the motion to reconsider be laid
36 25 on the table is in order. The effect of laying the
36 26 motion to reconsider on the table is to cause the bill
36 27 or joint resolution to proceed on its regular course
36 28 immediately.
36 29 7. In the event that a motion to reconsider is
36 30 pending at the end of the first session or any
37 1 extraordinary session of any general assembly, or the
37 2 general assembly adjourns sine die, and the motion to
37 3 reconsider has not been voted upon by the house, the
37 4 motion shall be determined to have failed.

37 5 DIVISION VIII == VOTING

37 6 Rule 74

37 7 Manner of Voting

37 8 Members present may cast their votes, either by
37 9 operating the voting mechanism located at their
37 10 assigned desk or by signaling the speaker from the
37 11 floor of the house or from the south visitors' gallery
37 12 if they are unable to vote at their assigned desk.
37 13 The speaker shall enter the votes of members signaling
37 14 their votes. Upon direction of the speaker or upon
37 15 request of two members during the taking of the vote
37 16 of the house on any question, only those members at
37 17 their desks and voting shall be counted. Members who
37 18 are not present shall not cast their votes except:
37 19 1. Members who have not voted may record their
37 20 votes on any record roll call vote except quorum calls
37 21 within ten minutes after the vote has been announced,
37 22 providing the vote does not change the outcome of the
37 23 vote on that question. A member may request
37 24 announcement of the names of members so recorded after
37 25 the ten-minute period.

37 26 2. Members meeting in a conference committee or in
37 27 administrative rules review committee at the time a
37 28 vote is taken on a question may have their vote
37 29 recorded within thirty minutes or adjournment,
37 30 whichever is first of that same legislative day,
38 1 providing the vote does not change the outcome of the
38 2 vote on that question.

38 3 Rule 75

38 4 Duty of Voting

38 5 Except as limited in Rule 74, every member who is
38 6 in the house when a question is put shall vote unless
38 7 the house has excused that member for special reasons;
38 8 however, such member must have asked to be excused
38 9 prior to commencing to take the vote on the main
38 10 question.

38 11 Rule 76

38 12 Limitation on Right to Vote

38 13 No member shall vote on any question in which that
38 14 person is financially interested.

Rule 77

Call of the House

Upon written request of five members, the presiding officer shall compel attendance of absent and unexcused members for the consideration of specified bills or resolutions.

A call of the house shall specify the propositions to which it is to apply, and must be put into effect before roll call is taken on the proposition. The request may be filed at any time before final action upon the propositions with the chief clerk, who shall notify the house immediately.

Rule 78

Method of Calling the House

Upon a call of the house, the names of the members shall be called by the chief clerk and the absentees noted, after which the names of the absentees shall again be called. The sergeant-at-arms shall be directed by the speaker to compel the attendance of absent members, unless they are previously excused. Any member occupying the member's seat during a call of the house shall be counted by the speaker and that person's name entered in the journal as being present for the purpose of making a quorum.

Rule 79

Method of Calling the Roll

The electrical voting machine shall be used for a call of the house, a quorum call or a roll call vote on any question. If the electrical voting machine is not in operating order when it is necessary to take a record roll call vote, the presiding officer shall order the vote to be taken by calling the roll in alphabetical order, except the name of the presiding officer shall be called last.

During the casting of the vote with the voting machine, the individual votes and the vote totals shall be shown on the display boards. Before the voting machine is closed, the presiding officer shall inquire of the house, "Have you all voted?"

Rule 80

Quorum and Record Roll Call Votes

A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

A record roll call vote shall be ordered upon request of any two members. The names of the members requesting the record roll call shall be entered in the journal.

Rule 81

Previous Question

When a member moves for a previous question, that member shall state whether the motion will apply to the main question, to all the amendments, or to particular amendments. The motion requires an affirmative vote of at least a constitutional majority of the members. If the motion for a previous question is not adopted, the house shall proceed in the same manner as before the motion was made.

If the motion is adopted, all debate must end and the house will vote upon the question except:

1. If the motion applies to the main question, the member in charge of the measure will have ten minutes to speak for the purpose of closing discussion before the vote on the measure is taken.

2. If the motion applies to an amendment, the member proposing the amendment will have five minutes to speak for the purpose of closing discussion before the vote on the amendment is taken.

3. If a member has filed a written request with the chief clerk of the house indicating the member's desire to speak on a particular question. The request must be filed before the motion is made by the movant. The request allows a member to speak on a particular question before the closing discussion by the member who is in charge of the measure or who is proposing the amendment.

Rule 82

Division of the Question

Any member may call for a division of the question, which shall be divided if it comprehends questions so distinct that one being taken away, the remainder may stand separately for discussion by the house. A

41 6 motion to strike out being lost shall not preclude
41 7 either an amendment or a motion to strike out and
41 8 insert. A motion to strike out and insert shall be
41 9 deemed indivisible.
41 10 LSB 1736HV 82
41 11 rj:nh/gg/14